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1. The quadrimotor plane, "Ilyushin" type, burst during its recent trials at a height of four kilometers. It was being tried out after an arrangement of the motor and after adjustment of the movement of the propeller. It is said to have achieved tremendous speed.
2. The plane was totally destroyed and none of the crew survived. This took place 2 Mar 54 near the Douhet Airfield, north of Tbilisi (Tiflis).

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